

PARK AND RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes

February 10, 2003

Commissioners Present: Bright, Ferguson, Sanchez, Smith, Sotelo, Parks, Peloquin, and Zwart

Staff Present: Park & Recreation Director Nielsen
Park Superintendent Roberts
Recreation Superintendent Metz
Urban Forester Roger
Sr. Admin. Analyst Tambe
Admin. Analyst Casillas
Sr. Admin. Asst. Norwood

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Park and Recreation Commission meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Parks, with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Commission approved the January 2003 minutes as presented.

Motion: Bright
Second: Peloquin
Ayes: All except Sanchez
Abstained: Sanchez

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

The following matters, presented to the Park and Recreation Commission on the Consent Calendar for consideration, were approved by one motion affirming the actions appropriate to each item. Items 5 & 7 were pulled from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion.

- Item 1 Street Tree Division Monthly Report
Approved the requests that were submitted at the January 2003 meeting, and accepted the list for consideration at the March meeting.
- Item 6 Tree Removal and Replacement Program
Approved the attached list of long-term removals and replacements.
- Item 8 Request for Removal - Mohajeri - 7949 Remington Dr,
Approved the request for removal of the Modesto Ash tree with the property owner replacing the tree at his expense.

- Item 9 Request for Removal - Gill - 5501 La Sierra
Approved the trimming of the Jacaranda at 5501 La Sierra Ave. to remove two upper branches and not the large lower limb at 5501 La Sierra Ave.
- Item 10 Request for Removal - Smith - 4258 Rosewood Pl.
Denied the request for removal and requested staff to trim the tree within 90 days.

Reports received for file:

2. Recreation Division Monthly Report
3. Clerical Support Monthly Report
4. Parks Division Report
11. Washington Park Restroom Replacement

Motion: Smith
Second: Zwart
Ayes: All

Sr. Administrative Analyst Tambe introduced the new Admin. Analyst, Patti Casillas, to the Commission. Following her introduction and comments from Patti Casillas, the Commission welcomed her to the Park & Recreation Department.

IV. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

12. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - ROBERT - 6020 LAWSON WAY

As Mr. Robert was not present for his first scheduled appearance before the Commission, a motion was made to continue this matter to the March meeting.

Motion: Zwart
Second: Sanchez
Ayes: All

13. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - HOUSTON - 111461 MILLARD DR.

Ms. Houston appeared before the Commission in regard to her request for removal of the two palms at her address in order to sell them for funds to re-landscape her front yard. Following discussion and input from the Street Tree Subcommittee, the Commission moved to deny her request for removal of the two Canary Island Date palms at her address.

Motion: Smith
Second: Bright
Ayes: All except Ferguson
No: Ferguson

14. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - YARRISH - 5144 CAROB WAY

As Mr. Yarrish was not present for his first scheduled appearance before the Commission, a motion was made to continue this matter to the March Commission meeting.

Motion: Zwart
Second: Zwart
Ayes: All

15. REQUEST FOR TRIMMING - KILLIAN - 2747 LEATHERWOOD CT.

As Ms. Killian was not present for her second scheduled appearance before the Commission, a motion was made to deny her request to have the pine trees at her address trimmed out of cycle.

Motion: Smith
Second: Zwart
Ayes: All

16. REQUEST FOR REMOVAL - THOMPSON - 5976 MEADOWBROOK

As Mr. Thompson was not present for his second scheduled appearance before the Commission, a motion was made to deny his request for the City to remove the Holly Oak tree at his address.

Motion: Smith
Second: Peloquin
Ayes: All

17. SPECIAL EVENT REQUEST - FIRST ANNUAL DRUM AND DANCE FESTIVAL AT FAIRMOUNT PARK

Recreation Superintendent Metz presented this matter to the Commission. Steve Quincy, a representative of the "WE THE PEOPLE" Cultural Dance Troupe, appeared before the Commission on this request for use of Fairmount Park. Following discussion, the Commission moved to accept the request as presented.

Motion: Sanchez
Second: Bright
Ayes: All

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS**18. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR 2003/2004**

Director Nielsen presented this issue to the Commission for their input and approval. Following discussion, the Commission moved to approve the proposed Capital Improvement Program and recommended that the City Council adopt the proposed 2003/2004 CIP as presented.

Motion: Peloquin
Second: Sanchez
Ayes: All

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**5. URBAN FORESTER REPORT**

Commissioner Smith noted that Hunt Park should not have been reflected as part of the Mt. Rubidoux project. The Commission moved to receive the report for file.

Motion: Smith
Second: Peloquin
Ayes: All

7. REPLACEMENT TREES

Commissioner Bright suggested that in the future, this type of tree issues not come before the Commission unless the homeowner requests to appear. A motion was made to deny the requests to not have a replacement tree planted at the listed locations.

Motion: Bright
Second Smith
Ayes: All

VI. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS, MEETING DATES & COMMISSION REQUESTS

Director Nielsen

Feb. 21 Motown Revue at Bobby Bonds Park at 6:00 pm

Will be asking for a representative from each subcommittee to meet with staff regarding budget review.

There will be a Supplemental Budget prepare if there is going to be a 5% reduction.

City Council has interview Park & Recreation Commission candidates for the two vacancies in March.

Announced that Commissioner Lisa Peloquin would be leaving the Commission as of this month.

Commissioner Sanchez Thanked Commissioner Peloquin for all her work on the Commission.

Requested staff to do a report next month on graffiti prevention programs.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:37 p.m.